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Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 CFR 1.56(a), applicants request that the references cited on attached form PTO-1449 (copies of which are enclosed) be considered by the Examiner in connection with the search of the prior art required by 37 CFR 1.104. This Statement is being filed under 37 CFR 1.97(b) prior to the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the references submitted in this Information Disclosure Statement and initial the space adjacent to each document on the PTO-1449 form and return a copy of the PTO-1449 form to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner.

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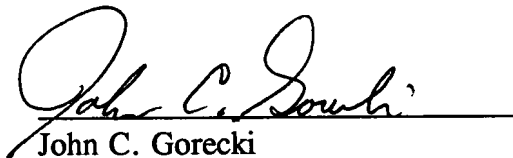
Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the herewith Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 with the next action are earnestly solicited. Should there be any questions after reviewing this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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